

**DRAFT RESOLUTION LANGUAGE  
FROM CHARTER RENEWAL SUBCOMMITTEE  
FOR OCNMS ADVISORY COUNCIL DISCUSSION  
PRESENTED AT SEPTEMBER 23, 2016 MEETING**

The Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary (OCNMS) Advisory Council's Charter Renewal Subcommittee (CRS) was tasked with reviewing and providing recommendations for updating the 2011 Advisory Council (AC) Charter. The CRS did not identify any major changes required to make to the 2016 AC Charter, but came up with several recommendations based on AC operational experience over the past five years. These recommendations, along with further details, were provided in the CRS final report. Overall, the CRS advised keeping language in the Charter broad enough to avoid exclusion and to incorporate changes made in national guidelines. Overall the Advisory Council accepts the CRS's recommendations as follows:

1. Allow alternate council members to serve as an officer (Chair, Vice-chair, or Secretary) on the Executive Committee, with the caveat that members of a same seat cannot both serve on Executive Committee (e.g. Education primary and Education alternate).
2. Change the date of elections for AC Executive Committee from January meeting to March meeting to ensure that any potential candidates reapplying to serve another term in his/her seat is re-instated before running.
3. Incorporate 2015 Charter amendment made to change name of Commercial Fishing seat to Fishing seat.
4. Update dates (years) in tables listing seat representation or term ends. Add a quorum chart to depict voting members (non-government and government)
5. Pending counsel from U.S. Geological Survey leadership, remove or keep USGS seat on AC.
6. Update 2016 AC Charter to reflect changes in National Marine Sanctuaries Advisory Council Handbook